

Public Law 707

CHAPTER 1077

AN ACT

To abolish the Commission for the Enlarging of the Capitol Grounds.

August 30, 1954
[S. 1042]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commission for the Enlarging of the Capitol Grounds, created by the Act of April 11, 1928 (45 Stat. 420), having fully executed all the duties imposed upon it by law, accomplished the purposes for which it was created, settled all accounts, and submitted its final report to Congress, is hereby dissolved and the members of such Commission discharged from any further duties in connection with the matters heretofore committed by law to such Commission.

Commission for
the Enlarging of
the Capitol
Grounds.
Abolishment.

SEC. 2. Any revocable permits now in effect, heretofore granted by the Architect of the Capitol, under the direction of the Commission for the Enlarging of the Capitol Grounds, to owners of properties adjacent to the Capitol Grounds, for construction, maintenance and use of walkways, approaches, or driveways in the Capitol Grounds, providing access to such properties from the Capitol Grounds, subject to revocation by such Commission or by the Architect of the Capitol, shall continue in effect, subject to revocation by the Architect of the Capitol under the direction and approval of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Architect of the Capitol, with the approval of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, is authorized hereafter to grant similar revocable permits to the owners of any properties adjacent to the Capitol Grounds whenever such action is deemed necessary to provide proper access to such properties from the Capitol Grounds; and such permits shall be in the form of an agreement saving the United States harmless from and against any and all claims of any nature or kind that may arise from anything that may be connected with or grow out of such permits, and containing such other provisions and conditions as the Architect of the Capitol may deem necessary or proper.

Permits.

Approved August 30, 1954.

Public Law 708

CHAPTER 1078

AN ACT

To authorize the United States of America to quitclaim all its right, title, and interest in and to certain lands in Arizona, except for mineral interests therein, and for other purposes.

August 30, 1954
[S. 3187]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, subject to the reservations set out in section 4 of this Act, the United States of America hereby quitclaims all of its right, title, and interest in and to the land described in that certain deed executed by Salt River Valley Water Users' Association, an Arizona corporation, dated May 20, 1941, and recorded May 20, 1941, in the office of the county recorder, Maricopa County, State of Arizona, in book 360 of deeds at page 81, to the persons named as grantees therein or to the persons who succeeded to and now hold the possessory interests conveyed by said deed; and in addition thereto, the United States of America hereby quitclaims to the State of Arizona all its right, title, and interest in and to all that portion of the land lying within the right-of-way of the State highway designated on the plat of Victory Tract as the

Maricopa County,
Ariz.
Quitclaim of U.S.
land interests.

Apache Trail, said plat being recorded in the office of the county recorder of Maricopa County in book 31 of maps, page 6 thereof.

SEC. 2. Subject to the reservations set out in section 4 of this Act, the United States of America hereby quitclaims all of its right, title, and interest in and to the lands described in those certain instruments executed by Salt River Valley Water Users' Association, an Arizona corporation, and recorded in the office of the county recorder, Maricopa County, State of Arizona, as follows:

Deed dated June 1, 1931, and recorded June 19, 1931, in book 257 of deeds at page 182;

Deed dated January 24, 1935, and recorded August 17, 1935, in book 294 of deeds at page 159;

Deed dated April 9, 1934, and recorded April 16, 1945, in book 432 of deeds at pages 289 and 290;

Deed dated October 13, 1947, also executed by Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, a municipal corporation of Arizona, and recorded December 17, 1947, in docket 105 at pages 67 and 68;

Deed dated July 5, 1930, and recorded January 28, 1931, in book 250 of deeds at page 510;

Deed dated January 20, 1939, and recorded June 22, 1939, in book 334 of deeds at pages 243 and 244 subject to the rights-of-way, reservations and covenants as set forth in said deed;

Deed dated August 1, 1927, and recorded April 12, 1928, in book 220 of deeds at page 161;

Deed dated April 16, 1930, and recorded May 10, 1930, in book 247 of deeds at pages 17 and 18;

Deed dated January 10, 1935, and recorded February 13, 1935, in book 289 of deeds at pages 95 and 96;

Deed dated September 24, 1930, and recorded October 4, 1930, in book 248 of deeds at pages 378 and 379;

Deed dated March 19, 1928, and recorded May 4, 1928, in book 220 of deeds at pages 364 and 365;

Deed dated April 6, 1953, also executed by said Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, and recorded April 15, 1953, in docket 1117 at page 174;

Deed dated December 2, 1929, and recorded June 20, 1930, in book 247 of deeds at pages 352 and 353;

Deed dated October 30, 1953, also executed by said Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, and recorded November 17, 1953, in docket 1234 at pages 166 and 167;

Deed dated April 6, 1953, also executed by said Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, and recorded April 17, 1953, in docket 1119 at pages 70, 71, and 72;

Deed dated November 3, 1952, and recorded November 5, 1952, in docket 1019 at pages 491 and 492;

Deed dated November 13, 1953, and recorded November 17, 1953, in docket 1234 at pages 170 and 171;

General release of easement dated May 2, 1932, and recorded May 2, 1932, in book 45 of miscellaneous at page 500;

Deed dated November 13, 1953, and recorded November 17, 1953, in docket 1234 at pages 160 and 161;

Deed dated October 5, 1936, and recorded October 19, 1953, in docket 1219 at pages 513 and 514;

Deed dated November 16, 1953, also executed by said Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, and recorded November 17, 1953, in docket 1234 at pages 162 and 163;

Deed dated May 5, 1938, and recorded May 11, 1938, in book 321 of deeds at page 486;

Deed dated November 13, 1953, and recorded November 17, 1953, in docket 1234 at pages 168 and 169;

Deed dated July 18, 1923, and recorded August 18, 1923, in book 177 of deeds at pages 447 and 448, as well as in deed from Arthur D. Neuhard to the United States of America, dated December 13, 1922, and recorded December 14, 1922, in book 171 of deeds at pages 298 and 299;

Deed dated July 18, 1931, and recorded August 8, 1931, in book 257 of deeds at pages 510 and 511; and

Deed dated November 3, 1953, and recorded November 17, 1953, in docket 1234 at pages 164 and 165, subject to the rights-of-way set forth in said deed;

to the persons named as grantees or releasee therein or, if such persons no longer hold the possessory interests conveyed by said deeds or released by said general release of easement, then to the persons who succeeded to and now hold such possessory interests.

SEC. 3. Subject to the reservation set out in section 4 of this Act, the United States of America hereby quitclaims to the abutting property owners of record on either side of the rights-of-way of the hereinafter described canals to the center lines thereof all of its right, title, and interest in and to the following described property:

All that certain canal right-of-way known as the Maricopa Canal, which takes its head out of the Salt River jointly with that of the Salt River Valley Canal on the north side thereof in section 8, township 1 north, range 4 east, Gila and Salt River base and meridian, and running thence in a northwesterly direction to its terminus in section 27, township 2 north, range 1 east, Gila and Salt River base and meridian, Maricopa County, Arizona, except those portions of said right-of-way through, over, and across the following lands:

North half of the south half section 8, township 1 north, range 4 east.

North half of the south half section 7, township 1 north, range 4 east.

North half of the south half section 12, township 1 north, range 3 east.

Southwest quarter section 1, township 1 north, range 3 east.

Southeast quarter section 2, township 1 north, range 3 east.

Southwest quarter section 25, township 2 north, range 2 east.

Northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 36, township 2 north, range 2 east.

North half of the north half of section 34, township 2 north, range 2 east.

Northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 33, township 2 north, range 2 east.

All that certain canal right-of-way known as the Salt River Valley Canal, which takes its head out of the Salt River jointly with that of the Maricopa Canal, on the north side of said river, in section 8, township 1 north, range 4 east, Gila and Salt River base and meridian, and running thence in a westerly direction to its terminus in section 12, township 1 north, range 1 west, Maricopa County, Arizona, except those portions of said right-of-way through, over, and across the following lands:

North half of the south half of section 8, township 1 north, range 4 east.

North half of the south half of section 7, township 1 north, range 4 east.

North half of the south half of section 12, township 1 north, range 3 east.

North half of the northwest quarter of section 12, township 1 north, range 2 east.

North half of the north half of section 11, township 1 north, range 2 east.

North half of the north half of section 10, township 1 north, range 2 east.

North half of the north half of section 9, township 1 north, range 2 east.

North half of the north half of section 8, township 1 north, range 2 east.

North half of the north half of section 7, township 1 north, range 2 east.

North half of the north half of section 12, township 1 north, range 1 east.

North half of the north half of section 11, township 1 north, range 1 east.

North half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 10, township 1 north, range 1 east.

Northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 10, township 1 north, range 1 east.

North half of the north half of section 9, township 1 north, range 1 east.

Northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 8, township 1 north, range 1 east.

North half of the north half of section 7, township 1 north, range 1 east.

North half of the northeast quarter of section 12, township 1 north, range 1 west.

Mineral rights.

SEC. 4. With respect to all of the lands quitclaimed by this Act, all minerals are hereby reserved to the United States, together with the right of the United States, its lessees, permittees, and licensees to enter upon the land to prospect for, drill for, mine, treat, store, transport, and remove such minerals and to use so much of the surface and subsurface as may be reasonably necessary for the foregoing purposes.

SEC. 5. For the purposes of this Act, the deeds from the Salt River Valley Water Users' Association referred to in sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall be deemed, insofar as the United States is concerned, to have created possessory interests in the grantees therein named, and the general release of easement referred to in section 2 of this Act shall be deemed, insofar as the United States is concerned, to have released possessory interests to the releasee therein named.

SEC. 6. Nothing contained in this Act shall be deemed to create or recognize any obligation or liability whatsoever on the part of the United States.

Approved August 30, 1954.

Public Law 709

CHAPTER 1079

AN ACT

August 30, 1954
[S. 3189]

Providing for the conveyance by the United States to the Monterey County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Monterey County, California, of certain lands in Camp Roberts Military Reservation, California, for use as a dam and reservoir site and for other purposes.

Monterey County, Calif.
Dam and reservoir site.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the Secretary of the Army is authorized to convey by quitclaim deed, to the Monterey County Flood Control and Water Conservation District of Monterey County, California, for the purpose of constructing, operating, and maintaining thereon a dam and reservoir area for its El Nacimiento Reservoir project, all right, title, and interest of the United States, except as reserved herein, in and to so much of the following